Heydler and Tener Offer Remedy for Batting Slump---World's Leading Quarter Milers in Suburban "440"

IS MORE BATTING

Startling Slump in Runs and Base Hits.

HEYDLER OFFERS REMEDY

By SHORTSTOP.

The owners of ball clubs and their riking athletes used a little horse use and settled their dispute with a tile of "give and take" all hands might

tter. Whether the pitching craft is veloping faster than the batsmen or either the game in the last ten years m produced a higher class of boxmen in the boys that swing the mace, the tting averages are getting slimmer

Purman, a Western statistician, tells of the referee.

"A blow on the management of the club batting average of the club batting averages of the eixteen clubs for the last they years, and finds that from 1911 to the same extent.

"But the real knocl a boxer into dream and the same of the same extent."

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extsen major league teams scored 2,264 sore runs than did the same teams last cason. The pitchers' battles are be-oming entirely too common. The aver-ge fan would rather have a good 6 to 5 mme than a dozen pitchers' battles. Satting, after all, is the big punch in maschall. Some of the magnates print out with pride that it has never been necesth pride that it has never been necesmany to amend the rules for so and so many years, and they would consider it sacrilegious to change any of the

wever, there would be no harm in trying anything for a season. Percy Haughton, one of the advocates of new rules to put more batting and base run-ning into the game, saw the football rules changed several years in succession, and the result of these experiments was a far better and more enjoyable same than the old "mass formation"

Would Eliminate the Spitball.

President Tener of the National League believes the elimination of the spitball will bring about the desired ef-fect. He said recently he did not think ful if the elimination of the spitball will sufficient tonic for the batting fig-tres. The emery ball, one of the most deceptive deliveries ever pitched, has been ruled out of baseball for the last

deceptive deliveries ever pitched, he dand in the forms of vigoriac decliveries ever pitched, he has been ruied out of baseball for the last two years, and batting has gone doubt hasaball men would help a lot, and it would be held to make the ruied government that in his opinion it would not greatly increase the number of bases on basis, and not only would it help batting but he batting but base running also, set loss on the base on three such as provided to make the pitcher of the National Distriction of of the Nation

An interesting experiment will be tried by Clark Griffith of the Washington Senators next spring. Griff intends using the player he regarded as his leading 1916 outfield prospect in the pitcher's box, while one of his most promising pitchers of a year ago will start the season in charge of a regular patrol in the outfield. The players switched around will be Jamleson and Sam Rice.

BASEBALL'S NEED When Is a Boxer Knocked MEREDITH TWICE Out in a Ring Contest? TO RACE DISMOND

Western Statistician Finds Misconception of Phrase Gives Rise to Unjust Preju- Two "47 2-5" Quarter Milers McCourt Gets Chance at Three dice-Few Instances of Unconsciousness Following K. O. Blows.

By CROSS COUNTER.

was 135 pounds; when Erne lost to Gans it was 136 pounds; when Ritchle lost to Welsh the weight was 135 pounds, which is the official lightweight

limit of Europe.

Forfeiture of title on account of weight or any other cause has been

got the lightweight title by forfeiture and Welsh is still the world's light-

not the limit of the lightweight class in America, and the figure in all other

looking out over the audience, nodding to friends and smilling at their shouts of encouragement. When Whitney completed his examination and extended his own hands Welling didn't turn, "Don't you want to look at my bandages?" asked Whitney, "What's the use," said Welling, turning away, "You'll need all you've got in them to-night."

Little Paddy Slavin.

in them to-night,"

boxing countries is officially 135.

weight champion.

Misinterpretation of ring phraseology make 133 pounds ringside for Jimmie is responsible in a large measure for the popular impression as to alleged brutality in the roped square.

The word "knockout" as applied to the son at 133 pounds ringside. Then Gans The word "knockout" as applied to the

ending of many bouts has been the cause of much undeserved criticism of the glove game, those unfamiliar with the then turn to a more important issue and try to find some means of inflating the batting averages. The 300 hitter is becoming more scarce each year, and some method should be devised to prevent this creature from becoming extinct.

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"The solar plexus blow, such as the one which Bob Fitzsimmons delivered to Jim Corbett at Carson City, will knock the wind out of a man and render him so weak that he cannot stand up, but he will be conscious and hear every count of the referee.

"A blow on the neck may close the windpipe and send a boxer to the floor, while a blow to the heart is weakening "But the real knockout blow that sends

a boxer into dreamland must land on either side of the jaw near the point of

The above is a popular misconception of the manner in which a pugilist is stopped or knocked out. Its fatal defect is in the assertion that a boxer must be

That there was a general easing up all around after the Feds started to offer a larven for disgruntled players is shown by the slump in batting from .261 to .349 in the first year the Glimore league took the field. It dropped another point in 1915, and last season instead of getting better slumped still another point, to .247.

How this better a League war.

As a matter of fact, unconsciousness is the exception to the rule in knock-outs. In ninety-nine cases out of one hundred the letters "K. O." after a boxer's name merely indicate that he was unable to continue boxing ten seconds after a knockdown; that his seconds throw in the sponge in token of defeat; that the referee stopped the bout in order to prevent further supplies. How this batting slump has left its ishment to a beaten man, or that the mark on the scoring is shown in the boxer himself, deciding he had no number of runs scored. In 1911 the chance, gave up the pattle.

The term knockout has no reference whatever to unconsciousness. The origi-nal phrase was "knocked out of time," meaning that the contestant failed to continue the bout for one of the several

Jim Corbett was knocked out at Car-ion, although conscious and open eyed. Jack Johnson was by no means unconscious at Havana when knocked ou by Willard, for the negro's knees were drawn up and one gloved hand was shading his eyes from the sun's glare. John L Sullivan was not unconsciou was therefore knocked out.

Quick Recoveries. In a very large majority of knock-outs the victims are dazed by a blow to the law or stomach, but they recover almost immediately. Instances are numerous of boxers counted out by the referee and then attempting to continue the bout as soon as they recovered from temporary disability.

Under the humane rules of boxing a contestant who cannot resume his ring activities before the referee counts ten

is not permitted to resume at all and must leave the ring. In football and other forms of vigorous sport a player, no matter if knocked unconscious, is permitted to resume play

On Floor and Field With School Athletic Followers

switched around will be Jamieson and Sam Rice.

Four years ago Jamieson and Wallie Schang were considered the star battery of the Buffalo Internationals. In 1912 Jamieson won 65 per cent. of his games with a club which did not break even. Jamieson also was a great asset to his chub as a pinch hitter. The Buffalo club being raided of all its hitters during the Federal League war, Jamieson was aboved into the outfield to give the club more batting strength, and in 1915 he was one of the star batters of the league, batting well above .300. He joined Washington late that season and did nicely.

Jamieson started the season as an outfield regular, but like Joe Judge, outfield regular, but like Joe Judge. The Long Island Interscholastic cided to reestablish the annual cham-Hockey League got under way in the Brooklyn Ice Palace, Bedford and At-iantic avenues, last night, when a double header was staged between Manual and washington late that season and die linesy.

Jameson started the veason as a part of the leason of t

committee, anticipates an entry from every school in the greater city for the title. Many of the institutions have already filed their schedules, and with the closing of the list on January 27 the committee will get busy in arranging

the tourney dates.

The schools will be divided into three divisions, those situated in Manhattan-Bronx-Richmond competing in that division; Brooklyn will stand alone, and the Queens schools will fight out their own battles. In the semi-final series the winner in Queens and Brooklyn will madel to see the semi-final series the winner in Queens and Brooklyn will madel to see the semi-final series.

the Poly Prep basketball team last
Thursday, to succeed Sylvan Lordi, who
is under suspension. Redmond is a
brother of Mort Redmond, who played
on the football team last season.

Schoolboys of all five boroughs hall
with the Hue and White team be canwith the Hue and White team be cancelled because of the inability to turn
with delight the announcement that the
high schools games committee has de-

Will Clash in K. of St. Antony and N. Y. A. C. Meets.

Ted Meredith and Binga Dismond, the

Nelson at 133 pounds ringside."

I will cheerfully concede that Welling is a formidable contender for the lightweight honors, and he may yet win the title, but he cannot get the champion. agreed to make 133 pounds ringside only two 47 2-5 second quarter milers in for Battling Nelson and regained his captivity, with the exception of dear old title on a foul, which he lost later to Maxey Long, who long since hung his athlesion at 133 pounds ringside." title, but he cannot get the champion-ship simply because he can make 133 pounds ringside.

of Chicago not only will meet in one race but they probably will measure strides in two. Each of them has entered the Sub-urban Quarter, the classic race which

Without any authoritative scale of weights in America, now or in the past, the question of weight has been decided by the champions, and precedent is the only guide. Out of the many times the ightweight title has changed hands or lightweight title has changed hands or been defended, the weight was 133 will give lustre to the annual indoor pounds ringside on three occasions. These were the bouts between Gans and Weigast and rusary 10. Paul Pligrim of the New York These were the bouts between Gans. Twenty-second Regiment Armory on Feband Nelson, Nelson and Wolgast and ruary 10. Paul Pilgrim of the New York
Wolgast and Ritchie. In all the others
the weight was above 133 pounds. Jack
McAuliffe, the first Queensberry champion, in his most important bout (that
with Billy Myers) scaled 1374 pounds;
when Lavigne won the world's title
from Burge the weight was 138 pounds;
when Lavigne lost to Erne the weight
was 135 pounds; when Erne lost to

Meredith and Dismond each were credted with running a quarter mile in the remarkable time of 47 2-5 seconds last summer. Ted turned in his figures whe he carried the silks of the University of Pennsylvania to victory in the 440 yard event at the I. C. A. A. A. A. championwent into effect. Therefore Britt never went into effect. Therefore Britt never bung up his "47 2-5" when he brought got the lightweight title by forfeiture the Maroon of Chicago University home ahead of the field in the Conference

championships on Northwestern Univer-in substance 133 pounds ringside is sity Field, Evanston, Ill. Experts considered Meredith's feat the classier, inasmuch as he stepped his double furlong over a course measured twelve inches from the border, while Dismond raced over a course measured eighteen inches from the border the same as but may abandon it to accept a position was the cinder path at Travers Island with the Sweeny-Huston Company of From Buck Crouse comes a whisper to the effect that Eddis McGoorty was the cause of his "flop" to Dave Smith in Australia. From the time of Pop the original 47 2-5 performance. Mere-Adam weak man has always looked dith ran several feet further than Long about for some one on whom to fasten or Dismond, the different method of track about for some one on whom to fasten
the blame for his own failings. Buck
Crouse is of the age of discretion and he
knew better than to fake. If Eddie
Desmond have been debated pro and con.
McGoorty was the serpent who tempted
All last summer it was the fond hope of the experts that Ted and Binga would be Joe Welling is no novice in the mat-

and went without the longed for athletic feast being served. Now that Dame For-As soon as the men got in the ring Whitney waiked over to Welling's corner for the customary handshake and perfunctory exchange of good wishes. Then he seized Welling's hands and began examining the tape and bandages, Welling, apparently disinterested, was looking out over the audience, nodding to friends and smilling at their shouts of encouragement. When Whitney comat the hands, or rather flying feet, of Dismond. In the two coming races the great Ted will be out to get "sweet revenge." The twin duels between the great pair of double furlongers will be

worth going miles to see.

Just how wonderful a hurdler was Forrest Smithson, the old Multnomah A. C. fence flier, can be shown by Bob Simpson's failure to equal Smithson's world's 70 yard high hurdle record at the monster meet of the Millrose A. A. in Madison Square Garden last Wednes-day evening. Smithson captured both Patrons of the Sydney, Australia, stadium were surprised to see a lad get under the ring ropes who bore remark-

ones. Smithson also found the turf strange to him, being accustomed to racing over the cinders in this country Bob Simpson undoubtedly is the great est fence flier in the annals of sport, but the elongated Missourian hasn't "got such a powerful lot" on Forrest Smithson at that!

MANRIQUE FOIL COMPETITION. Columbia, Yale, Harvard and Penn

Teams Entered.

Columbia, Yale, Harvard, Pennsylvanis universities. Springfield College, New York A. C., New York Turn Verein, New York Fencers Club and Central Branch Y. M. C. A. haye entered teams in the Manrique foil competition, which is to be held in Central Branch Y. M. C. A. Brooklyn, on the afternoon and even A., Brooklyn, on the afternoon and evening of February 3. Preliminary bouts will occupy the afternoon, the finals be-ing decided in the evening.

MOORE TO DEFEND Questions & Answers TITLE THIS WEEK By TOM MAC NULTY

Cushion Laurels Next Wednesday.

SMITHSON'S MARK STANDS CHAMPION IS FAVORITE

Charles A. McCourt of Cleveland and George W. Moore of New York will engage in a struggle for the championship of the world at three cushion carom billiards at Doyle's next Wednes-day, Thursday and Friday. They will play the regulation championship quota-of 150 points, in three sessons of 50 points each. Stakes of \$500, a purse of \$300 added by Doyle and the diamond challenge trophy, donated by the Brunschallenge trophy, donated by the Bruns-wick-Balke-Collander Company, will de-pend on the result. The winner will have to defend the trophy against Horace B. Lean of Chicago between March 5 and 15.

March 5 and 16.

Moore is the holder of the championship trophy, while McCourt is the champion of the Interstate Three Cushion
League Their cue work presents a
striking contrast. While Moore is a striking contrast. While Moore is a mile am careful, smooth and accurate executant and an ideal taotleian, McCourt is a and an ideal taotician, McCourt is a bold, spectacular and dangerous oppo-nent, a great shot maker who affects scoring first and safety last. Moore was born in Youngstown, Ohio, October 24, 1859. McCourt was born in Allegheny city, now part of Pitts-burg, August 19, 1877. Each developed his skill in his native city, Moore had no tutor. McCourt, according to his own statements was a crude performer.

own statements, was a crude performer at three cushions until Ora Morningstar taught him the fine points of the game. Frank Taberski of Schenectady, champion of continuous pocket billiards, has accepted the challenge of Louis Kreuter of New York, the seventeen-year-old the race for want of food, for the Missispirant for the championship, and they will play about February 22. Taberski to se fine a meal as he ever ate will have to name the date and place for

the match by February 12.

Balkline Players Return. Ora Morningstar and Koji Yamada arrived in New York Thursday morn-ing. They came from Philadelphia, where they played a three days engagement Morningstar has a billiard room containing twenty tables in San Diego, but may abandon it to accept a position

account of my wife's health. She was lung trouble. While in San Diego she gained thirty-five pounds. She accom-panied me on the tour Yamada and I have made. If doctors say she will be

able to stand the climate of Detroit I will locate there. "Yamada and I have been on the road since November 4 and have been very successful. We played in hotels, bil-liard rooms and clubs and our exhibitions appeared to give satisfaction. "Our regular and greatest trouble was encountered in cloths. I believe that in the time we have been on the road we have played on more different cloths

than any other billiard palyers ever did."

(1) America. (2) At Stockholm the Swedish winners were Bohlin, 1,000 meters: Hjelm, 5,000 meters (no American competed); Kullerstrand, high jump; Enhorning, hop, step and jump (no American entry); Zallhagen, discus (no American entry); Zallhagen, discus (no American entry); January shot when the opportunity arises.

(no American entry); Zallhagen, discus (no American entry); Jansson, shot put; Ohman, one hour race (no Ameri-can entry); Bohlin, 800 meters; En-horning, broad jump (no American en-try), and Luning, javelin (no American entry). At Christiania the Swedish win-ners were Bohlin, 800 meters; Lindbom, 1,500 meters; Luning, discus; Daniel-Dear Tom-(I) In the standing high jump what are the world's records, ama-teur and professional? By whom made and when? (2) The running high jump records? M. R. son, hop, step and jump (no American entry); Bohlin, 1,000 meters; Ryde javelin. At Malmo the Swedish winners were Bohlin, 800 meters; Ohman, 2,000 were Bohlin, 800 meters; Ohman, 3,000 meters and 19,000 meters (no American entries); Kullerstrand, high jump. In Gothenberg the Swedish winners were Lemming, shot put, and Pettersson, 5,000 meters (no American entry). (3) Kolehmainen does not hold the world's records for five and ten miles. The world's amateur five mile record is

Dear Tom—(1) Who wen the recent athletic meet between American and Swedish athletes? (2) How many events did the Swedish athletes take and what were they? (3) Does Kolehmainen hold the record for 5 and 10 miles? What is the record for these distances?

AN ADMIRER OF KOLT.

(1) America. (2) At Stockholm the

No. The little Cuban Felix Carvajal, however, "beat his way" from New Orleans to St. Louis a week before the games. He secured a position as a dishwasher in an all night restaurant in St. Louis. He had no sleep the night before the Marathon. He did not collapse after

Dear Tom—(1) Where could 1 get schedule of cross-country races? (2) Mu I be an A. A. U member to compete? so where can 1 make out application? H. M.

posted at the offices of the A. A. U., 2 Warren street, New York. (2) Yo must be registered in the A. A. U. t compete in any open sanctioned run, but you don't need to be a member to take part in the practice runs. You can get an application for membership in the A. A. U. at the Warren street

Dear Tom-From whom did Terry Melovern win the bantamweight title? McGovern won featherweight cham plonship by knocking out George Dixon, then title holder, in eighth round, New York, January 9, 1900.

Dear Tom-Kindly give the arrest pro-nunciation of the name Misks EDDIE FARRELL

Dear Tom-Kindly state the official rac-ing dates for the spring in Maryland and New York—that is, when the commence and terminate. JACK O'BRIEN. Not yet announced.

(1) Amsteur—5 feet 5% inches, Leo Goehring, Mohawk A. C., June 14, 1913. Professional—5 feet 5% inches, J. Darby. England, February 5, 1892. Both records without weights. (2) Amateur—6 feet 7 5-15 inches, Eddie Beeson, Olympic Club, May 2, 1914. Professionai—8 feet 16 inch, E. W. Johnston, Boston, October 1, 1881. Both records without weights.

American amateur one mile skat-ing record. 2:35 2-5, John S. Johnson. Norval Hantle and Johnson, after they Norval Baptie and Jonason, after they had turned pro, both were credited with skating a mile with flying start and wind at their backs, in 2:08. Oscar Mathlesen skated 1,500 meters, or 120 nual races held by the New York Ath. yards less than one mile, in 2:17 2-5.

Dear Tom-Kindly let me know if twenty round fights are allowed in Hartford or any other city in Connecticut. If so what is the idea of staging all the big fights out West and down in New Grieans! They could be staged in Connecticut, right near New York, where all the big matches are made. WILLIE M'NUTT. In Connecticut boxing is governed by local option, the various chiefs of police controlling the fight permits. Twenty round bouts are permissible in some Connecticut municipalities. It is not easy to get a permit for a very important bout, as such matches are not considered bendered to the sent in Connecticut.

eficial to the sport in Connecticut. Dear Tom—(1) Is Willie Jackson considered as a contender for the lightweight championship? (2) Has be a chance with the championship? (2) Has be a chance with were found at Saranae will be missing this year, as several of them are at the front fighting for the Allies, and the contender. (1) Yes. His knockout of Dundee stamps him as a dangerous contender. (2) Yes, but he should wait a while be-

HENRY LUHRS. Depends on size of wheel. Dear Tom-Please let me know the best thing with which to clean boxing gloves after they become oid, so that they will not carry disease or infection? A. K.

Your druggist will tell you a good dis-

SKATERS PREPARE FOR ANNUAL RACES

Many New York Performers to Take Part in Ice Carnivals.

SARANAC EVENTS FIRST

Skaters of New York and vicinity at sharpening their steel runners for the speed campaign, which opens with the nual events at Newburgh. Practically every prominent performer in the local district is prepared to make a dash for

titles.
Although entries do not close until February 6 for the annual Lincoln's Birthday races at Newburgh, many New York skaters already have signified the Bjork, the French champion: frying Reiner, H. B. Carter, E. Laviolette, G. H. Lahrman, E. M. Avery, A. J. Laviolette Stanley G. Hardy, E. H. Parker and Thomas M. Heaphy.

letic Club, which this season will be at Notlek Rink next Thursday. With the Westerners who annually come East for these events ice skating should attain prominence it has not held in some

Most of the patronage at the Sarana Lake carnival is expected from New York. Already the Artists Club, an or-ganisation holding forth at St. Nicholas Rink, has arranged to attend the Sara vents. Bedell Harned, one of the nac events. Bedell Harned, one of the leaders of the organization, went to Saranac recently and secured quarter for the crowd. The three day festiva will not only include races on skate but there will be coasting, skiing, curling hockey, tobogganing and a final parade stamps him as a dangerous content.

(2) Yes, but he should wait a while before meeting Leonard and take on less dangerous boxers like Freddle Weish. Jackson probably needs a little more lack in attractiveness. Newburgh heprische before meeting Leonard. He could take Welsh on without any danger of being stopped. No good boxer need fear Welsh's cream puff blows.

Among the most prominent leads to have a racing carnival unsurpassed and there is wide interest in the coming the result of the large transfer of the large Dear Tom—When an auto is going five or ten miles an hour how many revolutions do the wheels make?

To compete in the open outdoor race was are Waiter Kuehne, half mile champion. Donald Baker, New York A. (*) Irving Reiner, Riverside S. C.; Stanie Gershel, Arthur Gershel, former school boy champions; George Pickering, River

boy champions; George Pickering, Riverside S. C.; William M. Taylor, New York A. C. All of the skaters who show up we in the Saranac Carnival will be seen in the indoor championship races which will be held at the St. Nicholas Rini next month. It is likely that many of the up State stars will send in their en tries for the indoor races as soon as the carnival at Sarange is finished.



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